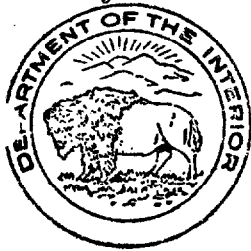


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DEFENSE FISHERY AUTHORITY DELEGATED TO INTERIOR SECRETARY

Following is the text of an order issued by Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan, delegating to the Secretary of the Interior certain authority under the Defense Production Act relating to the production of fishery commodities and products:

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY BY THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR WITH RESPECT TO FISHERY COMMODITIES

The Department of the Interior has certain responsibilities and exercises certain functions with respect to the production of the nation's supply of fishery commodities. It is highly desirable in order to insure the necessary production, that the exercise of all functions with respect to the production of fish be closely coordinated. To effectuate this purpose and to utilize to the fullest extent possible the technical knowledge and experience of the fishery staff of the Department of the Interior, it is the purpose of the Secretary of Agriculture to delegate to the Secretary of the Interior certain functions delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture under Executive Order No. 10161 dated September 9, 1950.

Therefore, pursuant to the provisions of Section 902(b) of Executive Order No. 10161, the Secretary of Agriculture hereby delegates, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, to the Secretary of the Interior the following functions:

- (1) The priority and allocation functions delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture under Sections 101(b) and 102 of the Executive Order with respect to the production of fishery commodities or products.
- (2) The claimant functions under Section 10³(a) with respect to all materials and additional facilities requisite to the production of fishery commodities or products, but excluding tin container supply and materials and facilities used in common for processing of fish and other foods; PROVIDED: That the Secretary of the Interior, prior to the exercise of this claimant function shall, to assure full coordination, notify the Secretary of Agriculture of his intent to do so, and shall provide with each notice complete and detailed information as to the materials and additional facilities concerned.

- (3) Such requisitioning functions as are delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture under Section 201(a) of the Executive Order with respect to the production of fishery commodities or products, except that with respect to the processing of fish the Secretary of Agriculture reserves the right to prohibit or modify the exercise of this function in any instance where, in his opinion, such action would interfere with or have an adverse effect upon the processing of other foods; PROVIDED: That the Secretary of the Interior, prior to the exercise of the requisitioning function, shall notify the Secretary of Agriculture of his intent to do so. The Secretary of Agriculture will consult with the Secretary of the Interior in order to assure full coordination before exercising the requisitioning function with respect to food processing when he determines that such action may interfere with the processing of fish.
- (4) The function of certifying under Section 305 of the Executive Order with respect to loans required for the production of fishery commodities or products.
- (5) Such functions relating to labor supply as are delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture under Section 601(b) of the Executive Order with respect to the production of fishery commodities or products.
- (6) The function delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture under Section 701(a)(1) of the Executive Order with respect to the production of fishery commodities or products.
- (7) The functions delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture under Sections 902(a), (b), (d)(1), (d)(2), and 904 of the Executive Order with respect to the production of fishery commodities or products.
- (8) The term "production" as used herein means the catching and harvesting of any form of aquatic animal or plant life and the processing thereof.
- (9) The term "fishery commodities or products" as used herein means any edible or nonedible fish, any form of aquatic animal or plant life, or any other commodity or product, including fats and oils, of marine or fresh water origin, which is within the meaning of the term "food" as defined in Section 901(b) of the Executive Order.

The functions hereby delegated to the Secretary of the Interior shall be exercised with respect to the production of fishery commodities or products to fulfill the requirements for military, essential civilian, and foreign needs, as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Nothing herein shall be construed to delegate to the Secretary of the Interior functions vested in the Secretary of Agriculture with respect to (1) the distribution in consumer channels of unprocessed fishery commodities after delivery to the initial purchaser; or (2) the distribution; procurement; inspection; container supply; specification of product, container, standards, and labeling; of or relating to processed fishery commodities or products.

Issued at Washington, D. C., this 13th day of October, 1950.

(Sgd) Charles F. Brannan
Secretary of Agriculture